3. Workers be paid overtime wages with effect from 1-1-74 in accordance with the provisions of Minimum Wages Act.

4. Workers be given chance for exercising their option for pensionary benefits.

5. All workcharged employees be provided with uniforms.

6. The workers be paid bonus @8.33 per cent.

7. Muster Roll Employees be supplied with soap and duster as workcharged staff.

8. These regular classified posts which were transferred from workcharged establishment be brought again to workcharged establishment, and their age of retirement be 60 years.

9. Zonal Offices in CPWD be abolished.

10. Muster Roll Workers be supplied tools.

11. Workers be provided with cycle for discharging their duties.

12. CPWD Workers be guaranteed residential accommodation.

13. Temporary Workcharged Staff be granted 30 days of Earned Leave.

14. Removal of discrimination for Muster Roll Employees in respect of social security benefits such as medical facilities.

15. Re-categorisation/Classification of Workcharged Staff and Regular Classified Staff w.e.f. 1-1-73 on the analogy of classification of scheduled employment as per schedule fixed under Minimum Wages Act.

16. Promotion avenues for workcharged staff/Regular Classified Staff be increased.

Recognition of the National Federation of the Government of India Press workers

*480. SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that question of giving recognition to the National Federation of the Government of India Press Workers (INTUC) is pending for the last many years;

(b) whether it is also a fact that decisions were taken from time to time to accord recognition to the Federation but formal orders were not issued; and

(c) whether Government propose to take necessary step to accord formal recognition to the Federation in view of the fact that greatest number of unions are affiliated to it?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ABDUL GHAFOOR): (a) and (b) The matter of giving recognition to the All India Federation is under consideration in consultation with the Department of Personael and Ministry of Labour. According to earlier policy only the unit level Unions were to be recognised. However, on reconsideration it is proposed to accord recognition to the All India Federations also, subject to verification of their strength.

(c) The matter will be decided in consultation with the Ministry of Labour.

Wastage on natural gas at Hazira

@3203. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that natural gas worth crores of rupees is being wasted at Hazira daily;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what remedial steps are being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) (a) and (b) At Hazira, there is an Ammonia Plant of Krishak Bharati Cooperative Limited (KRIBHCO). It takes natural gas from Oil and Natural Gas Commission (ONGC) for the plant which consists of various sections through which the natural gas is to pass before ammonia is produced. During the

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